

October 12, 1988

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Ms. Nancy Justus
Superfund Program Management Branch 5H-S11
U.S. EPA
230 South Dearborn Street
Chicago, IL 60604

RE: Union Steel Products, Albion, Michigan Superfund Notice of September 23, 1988 Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill

Dear Ms. Justus:

A copy of the above-referenced Superfund notice was sent to Union Steel Products, Albion, Michigan. It appears that Union Steel received the notice on September 26, 1988. Union Steel was formerly a division of Eagle-Picher Industries, Inc., with headquarters in Cincinnati, Ohio. On March 18, 1982, Union Steel was sold to the present owners and operators.

At this time, it is not known whether any materials from Union Steel were transferred to the Albion-Sheridan Township Landfill, nor is it known during what time period any such transfers might have occurred. Eagle-Picher and Union Steel are in the process of attempting to locate records which would answer these questions, as well as the questions submitted with the Superfund notice pursuant to CERCLA Section 104(e).

It will take some time to discover this information and to determine the appropriate party who may be liable for the transfer of such materials, if any. Also, it may be that the answers to these questions may be determined from documents in the hands of the government, and you will find enclosed my FOIA request for same.

Accordingly, on behalf of Union Steel Products, Inc., I request an extension of time beyond thirty days after Union Steel received the written notice regarding this site in order to complete our investigation and to make a meaningful response. It is difficult to know how much time we will need, but I believe thirty additional days should be sufficient, especially if I receive a prompt response to my FOIA request. Accordingly, I ask that Union Steel be given an extension of time until Monday, November 28, 1988 to respond to the questions and document requests submitted with the above-referenced Superfund notice.

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Please advise concerning this request, and do not hesitate to call if you wish to discuss this matter further.

Yours very truly,

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